

Dallas County Texas A&M University Mothers' Club NEWSLETTER

PRESIDENT'S PASSBACK

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Aggie Moms on the Move

COMING UP...

Dec. 18 7:00 (Tue)
Singing Cadets Planning
 Whole Foods, Preston Forest

Jan. 8, 7:00 (Tue)
Fundraising Meeting
 Whole Foods, Preston Forest

Jan. 25-26, (Fri-Sat)
Federation Dinner, Meeting and Workshops
 College Station

Feb. 16, 6:00 (Sat)
Singing Cadets Concert
 Lovers Lane United Methodist Church, 9200 Inwood Rd., Dallas

Feb. 22-24 (Fri-Sun)
Aggie Mom Camp
 College Station



Our Aggie Mom holiday season is off to a great start! The book club had a fun and "lively" book exchange! The sock exchange at Isabel's was exciting, too, with lots of competition for the cute socks and treats! (I'm loving my new slipper socks!) Thank you to everyone who brought socks to donate. We dropped them off downtown at the [Stewpot](#), an agency that serves the homeless.

We're so grateful to everyone who helped make the Howdy Holidays Gift Market a success: volunteers, bakers and shoppers! And we sold a record number of tamales, thanks to some overachiever moms!

In November we used some of the leftover goody bag fillings to prepare and donate bags to the students at the TAMU Chevron Engineering Academy. They were very sweet and appreciative.

We won't have a General Meeting in December, but save the date for our January meeting on 1/17! Unfortunately, Chancellor Sharp, who had planned to join us for that meeting needed to reschedule. We'll see him in April, instead. And we'll be joined in January by Marcos Estrada, who will help us make sure we're doing everything right when we recycle!

Wishing you all a wonderful holiday with your families! And as we ring in the new year, I'll be looking back on 2018 with some wonderful memories of meeting and spending time with some great Aggie Moms, old and new!

Thanks and Gig 'em!
 Sharon

Honoring 41

December 6 was an historic day in Aggieland as President George H. W. Bush was laid to rest at his library in College Station. We hope some of your students were able to witness part of the event. If you were unable to watch the coverage live, here are some video clips. Also, it's been announced that both President Bush and Barbara will be called at the campus muster on April 22.

1. [Aggie Band plays War Hymn as casket is carried from train,](#)
2. [Procession,](#)
3. [National anthem and part of the 21-plane flyover, and](#)
4. [Missing Man Flyover in its entirety](#)



Thank You!

Special Aggie Mom thanks to everyone who brought delicious Thanksgiving sides to our November meeting!

Terry Carpenter
Mavis Sauer
Linda Brady
Sharon Keeler
Isabel Campbell
Andrea Langford
Nancy Turner
Francy Collins
Liz Potter
Brenda Patton
Diane Carter
Cynthia Thomas
Susan Horne

Upcoming Book Club Reads

There's still time to add a few of these titles to your list for Santa!

January: *The Great Alone* by Kristen Hannah

February: *When Elephants Dance* by Tess Uriza Holthe

March: *The Girls of Atomic City: The Untold Story of the Women Who Helped in World War II* by Denise Kiernan

April: *A Gentleman in Moscow* by Amor Towles

May: *Still Life* by Louise Penny

June: *Becoming Mrs. Lewis* by Patti Callahan

January General Meeting

Recycling Do's and Don'ts

Marcos Estrada, City of Dallas

Thursday, January 17, 2019 7 pm

We won't have a meeting in December, and our plan for January has changed. John Sharp, Chancellor of the Texas A&M University System, had a scheduling conflict and will now speak to our club in April. (Save the date!)

So, in January we'll resolve to be better and more effective recyclers! If we're making the effort to reduce, reuse and recycle, we might as well make sure we're doing it right!

The membership directories will be available for pick-up.

And we'll have the DCAM-logo shirts available for those of you who were unable to pick yours up at the holiday sale.



Notice of Bylaws Revision

The Bylaws Committee has recommended and the Board has approved a revision of our club's bylaws. The revision will be presented to the general membership for a vote at our January General Meeting. Please watch for a SPECIAL NOTICE EMAIL which will contain more details.

DCAM By the Numbers

- 70 goody bags delivered
- 413 dozen tamales sold
- 54 TAMU Press books sold
- 110+ Howdy Holidays shoppers!

WHOOP!

Membership

Active Members will have the opportunity in May to direct a portion of our club's proceeds to the student organization(s) of their (your) choice!

If you haven't joined already, just [CLICK HERE](#) for our membership form for 2018-2019.



Winter Federation Dinner, Meeting and Workshops Jan 25-26, College Station

All Aggie Moms are invited to attend one or all events!

Fri night: Moms and dads are invited to a dinner at the new Texas A&M Hotel & Conference Center. As chef Stephen Pyles was a consultant for the hotel's restaurant and banquet menus, we can't wait to see what will be served! The speaker will be [Dr. Ben D. Welch](#) from the Mays Business School.



Sat morning: Federation meeting. This is your chance to hear from university leadership!

Sat morning; Workshops following the meeting are designed to help club members improve their club operations. Workshops are open to all Aggie Moms!

Texas A&M Singing Cadets Concert

Saturday, Feb. 16, 2019

To volunteer: dcamcadetconcert@gmail.com

We need YOU

- to provide the Singing Cadets with an event worthy of their extraordinary talents,
- to provide our guests with Aggie Mom hospitality and an unforgettable evening, and
- to ensure that we have a successful silent auction for our scholarships and student organizations!

Cadet Housing

Sign up to host 2 or more of the boys overnight and you'll have a chance to get to know some great kids! It involves driving them to your home, feeding them a light post-show meal and breakfast the next morning, then driving them to meet their bus at around 9:30 on Sunday morning. Here's the link! <http://signup.com/go/PacKxVg>

Use the up arrow to indicate the number of "spots" or cadets you can accommodate. After signing up, please go back to the main page, and click on your initials under "participants." In the comment field, tell us more about your pets, available beds, etc. If you have any questions, contact Karen Hunter at dcamonline@gmail.com.



Lunch Bunch

On Saturday morning, a group of 6-7 moms will gather to pack 70 sack lunches for the boys to take with them on the bus on Sunday! This is a great way for moms who are unable to attend the concert to help!



Cookie Bakers

At intermission, we'll set out trays of home-baked cookies for our guests. The cookies will be free, but we'll have donation jars available for anyone who would like to contribute!

Setter-uppers

Crunch time! We'll have a fairly brief window on Saturday to get everything set up! From 4-6, we'll need help arranging the silent auction tables, the ticketing and check-in stations, the volunteer suite, and a snack table for the cadets, so we could use a LOT of help here!



Event volunteers

Starting at 6, we'll need ticket takers, ushers, auction check-in workers and auction table monitors. The table monitors will return at intermission to close the tables. After the concert, we'll need concert check-out workers to take payment and gather the items. If you're hosting some cadets, it takes them a while to change and come out from backstage, so there will be plenty of time for you to help with checkout, too!



Volunteer Coordinator

As you can see, we'll need to schedule and communicate with a large number of wonderful volunteers! We're looking for someone who can help with that!



Singing Cadets Concert

Silent Auction

We're excited to offer this preview of our silent auction items! Can you help us add to this list? We would love to be able to offer more items from golf courses, sporting events, beauty salons, restaurants, etc. And Aggie merchandise is always popular!

Items received or pledged:

Football autographed by Coach Jimbo! Priceless!

Aggie Ring Wraps \$500 off



Hotels

Omni Dallas	1-night stay
Stella Hotel, Bryan	1-night stay plus breakfast for 2
Cavalry Court, CS	1-night stay
Home 2 Suites by Hilton, CS	1-night stay

Restaurants

Blue Baker, CS	Free Bread for a Year
Celebration Restaurant, Dallas	dinner for 2
El Fenix	\$25 gift card
i Fratelli	\$50 gift card
Ozona	2-\$25 gift cards
True Food Kitchen	\$25 gift card
Village Burger Bar	2-\$10 gift cards
Woodland American Grill	\$50 guest pass

Other

Aggieland Outfitters	\$50 gift certificate
Alamo Drafthouse	2 movie passes + food (\$20)
Dallas Symphony	2 tkts TI Classical Series
Drybar	blow out
FC Dallas	4 tickets
Firewheel Golf Club	Round for 2
Tangerine Salon, Preston Hollow	\$100 gift card
Top Golf	\$50 game play voucher
Mary Kay Gift Basket	
various Aggie gifts and decor	

Follow our Singing Cadets Concert on facebook!





Texas A&M Singing Cadets Concert and Scholarship Fundraiser

Lovers Lane United Methodist Church, Dallas, TX 75220

February 16, 2019, 6:00 pm

SPONSORSHIP AGREEMENT

Firm Name / Individual _____ Date _____

Name to be used for recognition _____

Address _____ City/ST/Zip _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Reveille Sponsor Level - \$5,000

Reveille is the highest ranking member of the Corps of Cadets!

- 10 reserved seating tickets
- 10 general admission tickets
- Recognition in program and on website
- Event signage
- 5 Singing Cadets CDs

Gig 'em Sponsor Level - \$500

Gig 'em was the first hand sign of the Southwest Conference!

- 4 reserved seating tickets
- Recognition in program and on website
- 2 Singing Cadets CDs

Aggie Spirit Sponsor Level- \$2,500

...there's a spirit can ne'er be told...

- 8 reserved seating tickets
- Recognition in program and on website
- Event signage
- 4 Singing Cadets CDs

Aggie Family Sponsor Level- \$250

Once an Aggie family, always an Aggie family!

- 2 reserved seating tickets
- Recognition in program and on website
- 1 Singing Cadets CD

Aggie Ring Sponsor Level - \$1,000

Ring Day is one of A&M's newer traditions!

- 6 reserved seating tickets
- Recognition in program and on website
- Event signage
- 3 Singing Cadets CDs

12th Man Sponsor Level - \$100

The 12th Man stands ready to help the team!

- Recognition in program and on website

PAYMENT INFORMATION: (Please submit payment by January 31, 2019 in order to receive all benefits.)

[] I would like to sponsor this event at the _____ level \$_____.

Please make checks payable to Dallas County Texas A&M University Mothers' Club, and mail with this form to: Dallas County Aggie Moms, P.O. Box 600182, Dallas, TX 75360

For additional information, contact: Sharon Keeler, 214-236-0339, dcampres@gmail.com

The Dallas County A&M University Mothers' Club (Dallas County Aggie Moms) is a 501(c)(3) recognized organization and all donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by IRS regulations.



**AGGIE MOM CAMP
FEBRUARY 22-24, 2019
THE GEORGE/CAVALRY HOTELS
COLLEGE STATION**

<https://aggiemoms.org/aggiemomcamp>

Deadline: Must be postmarked by January 18, 2019.

No refunds after the deadline.

Pass it back – it's time for Aggie Mom Camp! Our Aggies have Fish Camp, T-Camp or Howdy Camp to aid in the transition to college life and to orient them to the traditions at Texas A&M University. In 1994, Aggie Moms' Camp was created to help current Aggie moms to pass on the traditions of Texas A&M University to new Aggie Moms. Since then, this event has become a way for "new" and "seasoned" Aggie Moms to come together as a part of the Aggie Family. There will be speakers, entertainment, a campus tour, meals and lots of mom-raderie! Come join us for a weekend of **"From Howdy to Here"**. *This is an Aggie Mom Camp t-shirt and jeans weekend!*

Registration fee includes the following:

- 2 nights at The George/Cavalry Court Hotels
- 1 Aggie Mom Camp t-shirt
- Tote bag
- 5 meals (2 Breakfasts – Saturday & Sunday, Lunch – Saturday and 2 Dinners - Friday & Saturday)
- Speakers, entertainment & tour
- Mini Boutique
- Tons of Aggie Mom friends and memories!

Your Saturday dinner ticket is included in your registration fee, but we encourage you to invite your Aggie students. Additional dinner tickets will not be available during camp; they must be purchased with Registration.

Mail Registration and check to: Maria Wheeler 5921 Rushing Creek Fort Worth Texas 76137

Name: _____ TAMU Class: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Aggie Moms Club? _____

Email: _____ Corps Mom? **Y or N** Past Chair/Counselor? **Y or N**

Any special medical/allergy, physical or dietary needs? **Y or N** If yes, explain: _____

Roommate Name (include her Club): _____

If you have a roommate preference, her name must be submitted here. If you don't have a preference, another Aggie Mom will be assigned.

Camp Preference (for returning campers only): _____

FOR RETURNING CAMPERS' USE ONLY. Unless otherwise noted, you will be randomly placed in a camp.

Registration fee*: \$ 295.00

One t-shirt is included to be worn all weekend as your 'ticket' into Camp activities.

Adult t-shirt size? **S M L XL XXL** Add \$15 for extra t-shirt \$ _____

Add \$20 per extra dinner ticket (space is limited) # extra tickets: _____ \$ _____

Total due (Make check payable to: Federation of Texas A&M Mothers Clubs): \$ _____

**If you require something other than double occupancy, contact the Chairs at amcchair@aggienetwork.com.*

By attending, you consent to having your photo or likeness used for promotion of Aggie Mom Camp in literature and/or video recordings.



November Meeting
Rick Tankersley
12th Man Kickoff Team



Goody Bag Fillings!

Goody Bags
delivered to Chevron
Academy students



Howdy Holidays
Gift Market



Sharing this holiday greeting from Aggie Guide-Dogs and Service-Dogs, one of the student groups who received a donation from us last year:

Thank you so much for your love and support of AGS! We truly appreciate your help and couldn't do it without you. Your generous donation helps us in more ways than you can know. We hope this season is merry and bright for everyone!

*Love,
All of the Pups and People of AGS*



*merry christmas
and
happy new year!*

